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Douglas A. Donor U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region III Pennsylvania Operations Branch (3WC22) 1650 Arch Street Philadelphia, PA 19103

Re: Allegheny County Airport Authority
Governor's Knob Landfill Remediation Project
Land Disposal Restriction
Treatment Standard Variance

Findlay Township
Allegheny County
I.D. No. PAD981730815

Dear Mr. Donor:

The Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) has reviewed U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) proposed Land Disposal Restriction Treatment Standard Variance Public Notice for the Allegheny County Airport Authority (ACAA) Governor's Knob Remediation Project. DEP concurs with EPA's intended action. ACAA has been engaged in the successful remediation of impacted soils at the Governor's Knob Landfill area as part of a voluntary cleanup associated with Pittsburgh International Airport property development. ACAA has reduced the organic contaminants (benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, xylene and naphthalene) to levels acceptable for disposal as a residual waste at the BFI Imperial Landfill. The remediation effort is being conducted as approved by DEP using the treatment method (soil vapor extraction and activated carbon) suitable for the contaminants of concern. DEP has already approved the disposal of waste from this project (with similar contaminant levels) at this BFI landfill and will authorize the disposal of the remaining approximately 1000 cubic yards of treated soils from this project at BFI upon EPA's final approval of the land disposal restriction treatment standard variance.

If you have any questions on this matter please contact Manny Miller or Carl Spadaro of my staff.

Sincerely,

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Anthony D. Orlando Regional Manager Waste Management

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